Mercury Theater on the Air/ Campbell Playhouse

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Various Mercury Players performed in all the shows from 7/11/38 – 3/31/40. At different times, Mercury Players and supporting cast consisted of Orson Welles, George Coulouris, Agnes Moorehead, Martin Gabel, Ray Collins, Arthur Anderson, Richard Wilson, Eustace Wyatt, Edgar Barrier, Joseph Cotten, Karl Swenson, Alice Frost, Frank Readick, Elliot Reid, Everett Sloane, Georgia Backus, Virginia Welles (Anna Stafford), Alfred Shirley, Erskine Sanford.

Circulating Shows are indicated by an asterisk (*)

7/11/38 - 9/5/38

Sus, CBS, Monday, 9 pm, 60m

First Person Singular

Directed by Orson Welles; Scripts written by Welles, John Housman and Paul Stewart; Announcer was Dan Seymour; Orchestra conducted by Bernard Hermann until 3/31/40; orchestra occasionally conducted by Alexander Semmler during this time

Changes in the above will be indicated

Date	Title	Some Cast Members	Author
7/11/38* 7/18/38* 7/25/38* 8/1/38* 8/8/38*	Dracula Treasure Island A Tale of Two Cities The Thirty-nine Steps I'm a Fool The Open Window My Little Boy	Welles, Elizabeth Farrell Welles, A. Anderson Welles, M. Gabel Orson Welles Welles, Edgar Barrier, Ray Collins	Bram Stroker Robert L. Stevenson Charles Dickens John Buchan Sherwood Anderson Saki Carl Ewald
8/15/38* 8/22/38* 8/29/38 9/5/38*	Abraham Lincoln The Affairs of Anatole The Count of Monte Cristo The Man Who Was Thursday	Welles, Alice Frost, Arlene Francis Welles, R. Collins, G. Coulouris	John Drinkwater Arthur Schnitzler

9/11/38 - 12/4/38

Sus, CBS, Sunday, 8 pm, 60m

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Date	Title	Some Cast Members	Author
9/11/38* 9/18/38* 9/25/38*	Julius Caesar Jane Eyre	Welles, H.V. Kaltenborn Welles, A. Moorehead	William Shakespeare Charlotte Bronte
10/2/38	Sherlock Holmes Oliver Twist Hell on Ice	Welles, R. Collins. R Wilson	William Gilette Charles Dickens Edward Ellsberg
10/23/38*	Seventeen Around the World in 80 Days	Welles, Betty Garde, Elliott Reid Welles, R. Collins, Stefan Schnabe	Booth Tarkington Use Verne
	The War of the Worlds Heart of Darkness Life with Father	Welles, F. Readick, Bill Herz Welles, R. Collins, Alfred Shirley, G Coulouris, E. Barrier,	
	The Gift of the Magi A Passenger to Bali	William Alland	Clarence Day O Henry Ellis St. Joseph
11/20/38* 11/27/38 12/4/38	Pickwick Papers Clarence The Bridge at San Louis Ray	Welles, R. Collins, E. Reid	Charles Dickens Booth Tarkington Thornton Wilder

12/9/38 - 6/2/39

Campbell, CBS, Friday, 9 pm, 60m

Campbell Playhouse

Programs now had one or more guest stars with the Mercury Players supporting. The cast now mentions the guest stars. Often the author was interview on the air. Paul Stewart directed; Welles, John Housman and Howard Koch wrote the scripts; Niles Welch announced

Date	Title	Some Cast Members	Author
	Rebecca Call it a Day A Christmas Carol A Farewell to Arms	Margaret Sullavan Beatrice Lillie, Jane Wyatt Welles, J Cotten, Hiram Sherman Katherine Hepburn	Daphne duMaurier Dorothy Gladys Smith Charles Dickens Ernest Hemingway
1/6/39* 1/13/39* 1/20/39 1/27/39*	Counsellor at Law Mutiny on the Bounty Chicken Wagon Family I Lost My Girlish Laughter	Aline MacMahon, Gertrude Berg Welles, J Cotten Burgess Meredith George S. Kaufman, Ilka Chase Tamara Geva	Elmer L. Rice Nordoff and Hall Berry Benefield Jane Allen
2/3/39* 2/10/39* 2/17/39	Arrowsmith The Green Goddess Burlesque	Helen Hayes Madeleine Carroll Sam Levene, Arthur Hopkins (Talk)	Sinclair Lewis William Archer Arthur Hopkins, James Watters

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2/24/39	State Fair	Amos and Andy, Burgess Meredith	Philip Stong
3/3/39	Royal Regiment	Mary Astor	Gilbert Frankeau
3/10/39*	The Glass Key	Welles, R Collins (Interview with Warden Lewis Lawes)	Dashiell Hammett
3/17/39*	Beau Geste	Laurence Olivier, Noah Beery	Percival C. Wren
3/24/39*	Twentieth Century	Elissa Landi, Sam Levene	Charles MacArthur, Ben Hecht
3/31/39*	Show Boat	Margaret Sullavan, Helen Morgan	Edna Ferber
4/7/39	Les Miserables	Walter Huston	Victor Hugo
4/14/39*	The Patriot	Anna May Wong	Pearl Buck *
4/21/39*	Private Lives	Gertrude Lawrence	Noel Coward
4/28/39	Black Daniel	Joan Bennett	Honore Marrow
5/5/39*	Wickford Point	Welles, A. Moorehead, Linda Watkins	John P. Marquand
5/12/39*	Our Town	John Craven	Thornton Wilder
5/19/39*	The Bad Man	Ida Lupino	Porter Emerson Browne
5/26/39* 6/2/39*	The Things We Have Victoria Regina	Cornelia Otis Skinner Helen Hayes	Orson Welles Laurence Housman

9/10/39 - 3/31/40

Campbell, CBS, Sunday, 8 pm, 60m

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Orson Welles or John Housman directed; Ernest Chappell announced; John Housman wrote the scripts

Date	Title	Some Cast Members	Author
10/22/39* 10/29/39* 11/5/39* 11/12/39* 11/19/39* 11/26/39* 12/3/39* 12/10/39*	The Magnificent Ambersons The Hurricane The Murder of Roger Ackroyd The Garden of Allah Dodsworth	Helen Hayes Arlene Francis Helen Hayes Welles, E. Sloane, R. Wilson Paulette Godard Wendy Barrie Helen Hayes Walter Huston Mary Astor Edna May Oliver Madeleine Carroll Fay Bainter, Nan Sunderland Sigrid Gurie, Ronald Colman Helen Hayes Marie Wilson Lionel Barrymore	Gerald duMaurier Eugene O'Neill J. M. Barrie Alexander Dumas John Howard Lawson John Galsworthy Ferenc Molnar Booth Tarkington Nordhoff and Hall Agatha Christie Robert Hichens Sinclair Lewis James Hilton Hugh Walpole Gladys Lehman Charles Dickens
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1/7/40	Vanity Fair	Helen Hayes	William Thackeray
1/14/40*	Theodora Goes Wild	Loretta Young	Mary McCarthy
1/21/40*	The Citadel	Geraldine Fitzgerald	A. J. Cronin
1/28/40*	It Happened One Night	William Powell, Miriam Hopkins	Samuel Hopkins Adams
2/4/40*	Broome Stages	Helen Hayes	Clemence Dane
2/11/40*	Mr. Deeds Goes to Town	Gertrude Lawrence	Clarence Budington Kelland
2/18/40*	Dinner at Eight	Lucille Ball, Hedda Hopper	George S. Kaufman, Edna Ferber
2/25/40*	Only Angels Have Wings	Joan Blondell	Howard Hawks, Jules Furthman
3/3/40*	Rabble in Arms	Frances Dee	Kenneth Roberts
3/10/40*	Craig's Wife	Welles, Ann Harding, Regis Toomey	George Kelly
3/17/40*	The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Jackie Cooper	Mark Twain
3/24/40*	June Moon	Jack Benny	Ring Lardner, George S. Kaufman
3/31/30*	Jane Eyre	Madeleine Carroll	Charlotte Bronte

11/29/40 - 6/13/41

Campbell, CBS, Friday, 9:30 pm, 30m

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This series did not involve Orson Welles; George Zachary directed; John Houseman and Willis Cooper wrote the scripts; Del Sharbutt announced; Lyn Murray conducted the orchestra None of these shows are known to exist.

Date	Title	Some Cast Members	Author
11/29/40	Air Mail to Red Riding Hood	Humphrey Bogart, Miriam Hopkins	Vina Delmar
12/6/40	Kind Lady	Grace George, Herbert Marshall	
12/13/40	Doctor in the House	Frederic March, Florence Eldridge	
12/20/40	A Christmas Carol	Lionel Barrymore	Charles Dickens
12/27/40	Pygmalion	Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier	George B. Shaw
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1/3/41	Personal Appearance	Roseland Russell, Donald Cook	
1/10/41	The Go-Getter	Helen Twelvetrees, Randolph Scott, Frank Morgan	
1/17/41	Free Soul	George Raft, Frances Farmer	
1/24/41	Golden Boy	Sylvia Sidney, Luther Adler	Clifford Odets
1/31/41	Mrs. Fane Comes of Age	Mary Astor, William Gargan	022012 0402
2/7/41	Option on San Felipe	Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.	
2/14/41	Master Mariner	Walter Huston	
2/21/41	Wreck on Deliverance	Jeanette Macdonald, Gene Raymon	s

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2/28/41	Crime Syndicate	Paul Muni	
3/7/41	You and I	Walter Huston	
3/14/41	Purple and Fine Linen	John Beal, Gale Page	
3/21/41	Excess Baggage	Wendy Barrie, Dick Powell	
3/28/41	Let Us Be Gay	Madeleine Carroll	
4/4/41	Nervous Wreck	Eddie Cantor	Owen Davis
4/11/41	My Client Curley	Fred Allen, Beatrice Kay, Jack Grimes	Norman Corwin
4/18/41	The Talley Method	Tallulah Bankhead, Philip Merivale	
4/25/41	Do Not Disturb	Ellery Queen Radio Cast	Ellery Queen
5/2/41	One-Way Passage	William Powell	, ,
5/9/41	Springtime for Henry	David Lewis, Alan Mowbray	
5/16/41	Alien Corn	Ruth Chatterton	Somerset Maugham
5/23/41	Woung Woodley	Judith anderson	John Van Bruten
5/30/41	The Hero	Henry Hull	
6/6/41	Tarnish	Jean Ellyn	
6/13/41	Green Grow the Lilacs	Burgess Meredith, June Walker	